**THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO**

WRIT PETITION No.17129 of 2007

**13.8.2007**

Between:

Bapatla Hanumayamma, W/o.late Venkata Swamy
And others

…Petitioners

And

The Revenue Divisional Officer, Ongole, Prakasam District
And others

…Respondents

**THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO**

WRIT PETITION No.17129 of 2007

ORDER:

Petitioners filed the instant writ petition challenging the order of the first respondent – the Revenue Divisional Officer (RDO), Ongole; refusing to stay the proceedings of the Tahsildar, Maddipadu Mandal – second respondent herein; dated 31.5.2007 ordering resumption of the land admeasuring Acs.1.43 in survey No.233 of Vellampalli village, which is in occupation of the petitioners. Initially petitioners filed W.P.No.15547 of 2007 challenging inaction of the first respondent in not passing orders on the stay application. Now that the first respondent passed orders refusing to stay.

After hearing learned Counsel for the petitioners and learned Assistant Government Pleader for Revenue (General-A), this Court is convinced that petitioners are allegedly in possession for more than seven decades and pursuant to the orders of the second respondent if they are dispossessed, their appeal pending before the first respondent would be rendered useless. Therefore, this Court is of considered opinion that during the pendency of the appeal, the parties should maintain *status quo* and that the first respondent is also directed to dispose of the appeal within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

The writ petition, with the above observations and direction, is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

(**V.V.S.RAO, J**)

August 13, 2007

NOTE:

Dispatch order copy by

14.8.2007.
(By order)
YS